

JOHNSTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE

JOHNSTON, RHODE ISLAND

Regular Meeting N. A. Ferri Middle School Library

Tuesday, February 12, 2018 6:30 p.m.

MINUTES

A regular meeting of the Johnston School Committee was held on Tuesday, February 12, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. in the library at the N. A. Ferri Middle School.

The agenda for this meeting was posted in all schools, the Johnston Town Hall, Johnston Public Schools List Serve, Web Site and the Web Site at the Office of the Secretary of State.

Mrs. Mele, Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

PRESENT: ABSENT:

Janice D. Mele, Chair Lauren Garzone

Robert LaFazia, Vice Chair

Joseph W. Rotella

Gena Bianco

Mr. LaFazia moved, seconded by Ms. Bianco to meet in executive session in accordance with RIGL 42-46-5, Subsection A, #9, Non-Certified Grievances, #17-06 and #18-01.

District 1 Aye

District 2 Absent

District 4 Aye

District 5 Aye

District 3 Aye

The committee entered public session at 7:10 p.m.

Mrs. Mele stated that two votes were taken in executive session, the votes were 3-2 in favor

PRESENTATION

Mr. Gary Salzillo and Ms. Toni-Ann Salzillo representing Johnston Youth Football and Cheerleading presented plaques to Johnston School Committee and Dr. DiLullo, Superintendent in recognition of their outstanding support to their organization.

RING PRESENTATION

The Johnston High School Girls' Soccer Team was presented with rings and certificates for winning the Division Three State Girls' Soccer Championship.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mrs. Mele, Chair, led the Pledge of Allegiance

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. LaFazia moved, seconded by Mr. Rotella to approve the minutes of the January 9, 2018 regular meeting.

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District 1 Aye

District 2 Absent

District 4 Aye

District 5 Aye

District 3 Aye

APPROVE AND SEAL EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES

Mr. LaFazia moved, seconded by Ms. Bianco to approve and seal the executive session minutes of the January 9, 2018 regular meeting.

District 1 Aye

District 2 Absent

District 4 Aye

District 5 Aye

District 3 Aye

RECORDING OF INVOICES PAID

Mr. LaFazia moved, seconded by Mr. Rotella to approve the following

Recording of Invoices Paid:

October 20, 2017

November 17, 2017

December 1, 2017

December 15, 2017

January 12, 2018

District 1 Aye

District 2 Absent

District 4 Aye

District 5 Aye

District 3 Aye

BUDGET TRANSFERS

Mr. LaFazia moved, seconded by Mr. Rotella to approve the budget transfers (see attached)

District 1 Aye

District 2 Absent

District 4 Aye

District 5 Aye

District 3 Aye

COMMITTEE REQUESTS AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

District 1

Mr. LaFazia offered his congratulations to the Girls' Soccer Team. He had questions regarding disinfecting the schools.

Mr. Cournoyer replied that we have a machine for that.

Mr. LaFazia asked if we had carbon monoxide detectors in the schools.

Mr. Cournoyer replied that he is waiting for a price from the alarm company and the fire marshall.

District 5

Ms. Bianco stated that the middle school band and chorus concert was phenominal and she thanked the staff for coming to work with all of the illnesses going around.

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District 4

Mr. Rotella echoed his colleague's comments. He thanked the Johnston Fire Department Local 1950 for the donation of defibrators. He stated that the science fair was excellent. He thanked Mr. Russo and the high school for donating 61 pints of blood.

District 3

Mrs. Mele echoed the sentiments of her colleagues and also thanked Dr. Mitchell for the outstanding presentation presented by JSEAC on Feb. 8th.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. DiLullo congratulated the winners of the science fair. He also commended Ms. Aubin and Mr. Conlon for an outstanding winter concert at the middle school. He stated the members of the administration along with Mr. Rotella and Mr. LaFazia attended a presentation on harassment in the work place. He commented on the memorial service for Rachel Carson, student at the high school and Mr. Morrell's eulogy for her.

Mr. Morrell presented the high school program of studies for 2018-2019 school year.

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATIONS – ACTION ITEMS

Mr. LaFazia moved, seconded by Mr. Rotella to adopt Resolution 18-02-01, Request the advice and consent of the School Committee to accept the resignation of Lydia Scungio, Teacher Assistant at Thornton Elementary School effective, January 29, 2018.

District 1 Aye

District 2 Absent

District 4 Aye

District 5 Aye

District 3 Aye

Mr. LaFazia moved, seconded by Mr. Rotella to adopt Resolution 18-02-02, Request the advice and consent of the School Committee to

accept the resignation of Matthew Besachio, Special Education Teacher Assistant for the Elementary Behavior Program effective, February 2, 2018.

District 1 Aye

District 2 Absent

District 4 Aye

District 5 Aye

District 3 Aye

Mr. LaFazia moved, seconded by Mr. Rotella to adopt Resolution 18-02-03, Request the advice and consent of the School Committee to approve an extension of emergency sick leave through March 15, 2018 for Monica Bucci, Special Education Teacher at Winsor Hill Elementary School.

District 1 Aye

District 2 Absent

District 4 Aye

District 5 Aye

District 3 Aye

Mr. LaFazia moved, seconded by Mr. Rotella to adopt Resolution 18-02-04, Request the advice and consent of the School Committee to grant emergency sick leave to Mary Jane Patton, Physical Education Teacher at Thornton Elementary School.

District 1 Aye

District 2 Absent

District 4 Aye

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District 5 Aye

District 3 Aye

Mr. LaFazia moved, seconded by Mr. Rotella to adopt Resolution 18-02-05, Request the advice and consent of the School Committee to grant emergency sick leave to Patti Ann DelVecchio, Special Educator at Ferri Middle School.

District 1 Aye

District 2 Absent

District 4 Aye

District 5 Aye

District 3 Aye

Mr. LaFazia moved, seconded by Mr. Rotella to adopt Resolution 18-02-06, Request the advice and consent of the School Committee to approve a one week leave without pay for Gloria DiLucia, Library Media Specialist at Ferri Middle School from February 12-16, 2018.

District 1 Aye

District 2 Absent

District 4 Aye

District 5 Aye

District 3 Aye

Mr. LaFazia moved, seconded by Ms. Bianco to adopt Resolution

18-02-07, Request the advice and consent of the School Committee to approve a leave without pay for Jacquelyn Lawton, Grade 6 Literacy Teacher at Ferri Middle School from March 8-15, 2018.

District 1 Aye

District 2 Absent

District 4 Aye

District 5 Aye

District 3 Aye

Mr. LaFazia moved, seconded by Mr. Rotella to adopt Resolution 18-02-08, Request the advice and consent of the School Committee to approve an indefinite leave without pay for Michelina Ciolli, Bus Monitor.

District 1 Aye

District 2 Absent

District 4 Aye

District 5 Aye

District 3 Aye

Mr. LaFazia moved, seconded by Mr. Rotella to adopt Resolution 18-02-09, Request the advice and consent of the School Committee to accept the resignation of Gianna Mazzulla, as Co-Ed Cross Country Coach and Girls' Assistant Basketball Coach at Ferri Middle School.

District 1 Aye

District 2 Absent

District 4 Aye

District 5 Aye

District 3 Aye

Mr. LaFazia moved, seconded by Ms. Bianco to adopt Resolution 18-02-10, Request the advice and consent of the School Committee to appoint Monique Desmarais as Intramural Coach at Ferri Middle School.

District 1 Aye

District 2 Absent

District 4 Aye

District 5 Aye

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District 3 Aye

Mr. LaFazia moved, seconded by Ms. Bianco to adopt Resolution 18-02-11, Request the advice and consent of the School Committee to approve the 2018-2019 Johnston High School Program of Study updates. (see attached)

District 1 Aye

District 2 Absent

District 4 Aye

District 5 Aye

District 3 Aye

Mr. LaFazia moved, seconded by Ms. Bianco to adopt Resolution 18-02-12, Request the advice and consent of the School Committee to

approve the Johnston Public Schools Calendar for the 2018-2019 school year. (see attached)

District 1 Aye

District 2 Absent

District 4 Aye

District 5 Aye

District 3 Aye

Mr. LaFazia moved, seconded by Mr. Rotella to adopt Resolution 18-02-13, Request the advice and consent of the School Committee to approve the Johnston High School Senior Class trip to Philadelphia, Pennsylvania from June 3-5, 2018.

District 1 Aye

District 2 Absent

District 4 Aye

District 5 Aye

District 3 Aye

Mr. LaFazia moved, seconded by Mr. Rotella to adopt Resolution 18-02-14, Request the advice and consent of the School Committee to approve a field trip for Johnston High School to Patriot Place on March 14, 2018.

District 1 Aye

District 2 Absent

District 4 Aye

District 5 Aye

District 3 Aye

Mr. LaFazia moved, seconded by Mr. Rotella to adopt Resolution 18-02-15, Request the advice and consent of the School Committee to approve a field trip for Ferri Middle School Grade 8 to Lake Compounce, Bristol, Connecticut on June 6, 2018.

District 1 Aye

District 2 Absent

District 4 Aye

District 5 Aye

District 3 Aye

Mr. LaFazia moved, seconded by Mr. Rotella to adopt Resolution 18-02-16, Request the advice and consent of the School Committee to approve a home school program for student, Z.S.

District 1 Aye

District 2 Absent

District 4 Aye

District 5 Aye

District 3 Aye

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Mr. LaFazia moved, seconded by Mr. Rotella to adopt Resolution 18-02-17, Request the advice and consent of the School Committee to approve a home school program for students L.G., M.G., and J.G.

District 1 Aye

District 2 Absent

District 4 Aye

District 5 Aye

District 3 Aye

Mr. LaFazia moved, seconded by Mr. Rotella to adopt Resolution 18-02-18, Request the advice and consent of the School Committee to appoint the following certified staff for the Ramp up Program at the Ferri Middle School:

Ashley Cournoyer Reading Grade 6

Lisa Marie Ricci Reading Grade 7

Rebecca DelGallo/Columbia Fleming Reading Grade 8

Elena Ryan Math Grade 6

Meghan Comforti/Felicia Paige Math Grade 7

Melissa Barra Math Grade 8

District 1 Aye

District 2 Absent

District 4 Aye

District 5 Aye

District 3 Aye

Mr. LaFazia moved, seconded by Mr. Rotella to adopt Resolution 18-02-19, Request the advice and consent of the School Committee to approve the following certified non-renewals for the 0218-2019 school year:

Brianna Tellier Grade 2 Thornton School

Chelsea Galli Kindergarten ECC
Julia Carnevale ELA Middle School
Crista Robichaud Grade 3 Barnes School
Kaelin Kirby Grade 5 Winsor Hill School
Deborah Mancuso Guidance Winsor Hill School
Sarah Pascone Sp. Ed. Middle School
April Marroquin Grade 3 Barnes School
Samuel Crooks MTSS Coord. District
Christine Karlberg SLP Barnes/Graniteville Schools
Alison Hawbecker ELL District
Jennifer D'Artista Psychologist Barnes/Brown Ave. Schools
Selena Clark Social Worker Thornton/ECC Schools
June Vandall Sp. Ed. Graniteville School
Kathrine Deschene Psychologist High School
Eric Lopez Int'l Language Middle School
Meghan Comforti Math Interventionist Middle School
Jennifer Lauriat Student Support Graniteville School
Gary Swider Computer Science High School
Michael Harwood Art High School
Terri Dubis Business High School
John Adamo Phys. Ed. Graniteville School
Matthew Gingras Music High School
Elyssa Renzi Sp. Ed. Brown Ave. School
Erica Desmarais Grade 3 Thornton School
Nicole Barboza Sp. Ed. Barnes School
Michelle Harris Social Work Middle School

Nelia Hoard Guidance ECC/Thornton Schools

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Rebecca Dugan Sp. Ed. District

Matthew Velino Phys. Ed. ECC/Brown Ave. Schools

Melissa Barra Geostats Middle School

Patricia Carlson Sp. Ed. Graniteville

Jasmine D'Avila Sp. Ed. Winsor Hill School

Christina Mitchell Sp. Ed. Brown Avenue School

Julia Bernardi Sp. Ed. Graniteville School

Vanessa Duque ELL District

Nicole Grilli Grade 5 Barnes School

Daniel Casey Sp. Ed. Middle School

District 1 Aye

District 2 Absent

District 4 Aye

District 5 Aye

District 3 Aye

Mr. LaFazia moved, seconded by Mr. Rotella to adopt Resolution 18-02-20, Request the advice and consent of the School Committee to approve the following non-certified non-renewals for the 2018-2019 school year:

Tishana Fino Teacher Aide II Graniteville School

Tyeace McRae Teacher Aide II CNA Barnes School

Yazmine Lopez Teacher Aide II CNA High School

Kathleen Giammarco Teacher Aide I Winsor Hill School

Gianna Mazzulla Teacher Aide I Thornton School

Beth Ann Giusti Teacher Aide I Thornton School

Lauren Lombardi Teacher Aide II ECC

Cassandra Scibilia Teacher Aide I ECC

Marisa Garlington Teacher Aide I Graniteville School

Kimberly Jarret Teacher Aide II Graniteville School

Nadine O'Connor Teacher Aide II Graniteville School

Kristen McAteer Teacher Aide II RBT Middle School

Tracy Mainey Teacher Aide I Thornton School

Rhonda Boehm Teacher Aide II RBT Thornton School

Jessie Valletta Teacher Aide II RBT Middle School

Julie Altieri Teacher Aide II RBT Middle School

Tina Sanbach Teacher Aide I Winsor Hill School

Kendra Jones Teacher Aide II RBT Thornton School

Nicole DiDino Teacher Aide I Thornton School

Ann Marie Day Teacher Aide II Graniteville School

Amy Andrews Teacher Aide II RBT Barnes School

Eric Pagano Teacher Aide II High School

Donna Vicario Clerk II High School

Kathleen Gallo Teacher Aide II Barnes School

Jean Simone Teacher Aide II High School

District 1 Aye

District 2 Absent

District 4 Aye

District 5 Aye

District 3 Aye

Mr. LaFazia moved, seconded by Mr. Rotella to adopt Resolution 18-02-21a, Request the advice and consent of the School Committee to appoint the following coaches for Spring sports:

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High School

Baseball

Joseph Acciardo Head Varsity Coach

Edward Bedrosian Assistant Varsity Coach

Mike Bedrosian JV Head Coach

District 1 Aye

District 2 Absent

District 4 Aye

District 5 Aye

District 3 Aye/Abstain on Joseph Acciardo

Mr. LaFazia moved, seconded by Ms. Bianco to adopt Resolution 18-02-21b, Request the advice and consent of the School Committee to appoint the following coaches for Spring sports:

High School

Golf

Jason Corsini Head Varsity Coach

Boys' Lacrosse

Jay Sabitoni Head Varsity Coach

Girls' Lacrosse

Joseph Areson Head Varsity Coach

Amanda Areson Head JV Coach

Softball

Manuel DaCosta Head Varsity Coach

Track and Field

Louis DiMaio Head Varsity Boys' Coach

Cheryl Marfeo Head Varsity Girls' Coach

Greg Russo Assistant Coach

Unified Basketball

Daniel Mazzulla Head Coach

District 1 Aye

District 2 Absent

District 4 Aye

District 5 Aye

District 3 Aye

Mr. LaFazia moved, seconded by Mr. Rotella to adopt Resolution 18-02-21c, Request the advice and consent of the School Committee to appoint the following coaches for Spring sports:

High School

Boys' Volleyball

Greta Lalli Head Coach

District 1 Aye

District 2 Absent

District 4 Aye

District 5 Aye

District 3 Aye

Mr. LaFazia moved, seconded by Ms. Bianco to adopt Resolution 18-02-21d, Request the advice and consent of the School Committee to appoint the following coaches for Spring sports:

Ferri Middle School

Baseball

Brian Iafrate Head Coach

Softball

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Mario Nasisi Head Coach

Track and Field

Daniel Mazzulla Head Boys' Coach

Girls' Volleyball

Monique Desmarais Head Coach

District 1 Aye

District 2 Absent

District 4 Aye

District 5 Aye

District 3 Aye

Mr. LaFazia moved, seconded by Mr. Rotella to adjourn the meeting.

District 1 Aye

District 2 Absent

District 4 Aye

District 5 Aye

District 3 Aye

The meeting adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Martha D. Taylor, Secretary